UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF WISCONSIN

JILL A. WHITCOMB,

Plaintiff.

v.

Case No. 17-CV-14

ALEX AZAR, Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health and Social Services,

Defendant.

NOTICE OF SUBSEQUENT AUTHORITY

Plaintiff Jill A. Whitcomb files this notice of subsequent authority to bring to the Court's attention decisions issued on January 29, 2018, by the United States District Court for the District of Vermont in *Bloom v. Azar*, Case No. 16-cv-121. [Exhibit 1] and on April 5, 2018, by the United States District Court for the District of Massachusetts in *Lewis v. Azar*, Case No. 15-cv-13530 [Exhibit 2]. While Ms. Whitcomb disagrees with some aspects of the *Bloom* decision, both courts reached the same conclusion as this court on the core issue of whether a CGM qualifies as DME and is, therefore, covered by Medicare. *Bloom*, at 15-22; *Lewis*, at 7-9. It is also noteworthy that through April 5, 2018, the Secretary continued to take the position that a CGM is not durable medical equipment. *Id.* at 2.

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Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on April 9, 2018, I, Robert Theine Pledl of McNally Peterson, S.C. electronically filed a Notice of Subsequent Authority with Exhibits attached, using the Eastern District of Wisconsin ECF system which will automatically send email notification of such filing to counsel of record for Defendant.

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